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NEWS RELEASE

Off-Duty SAPD Officer Robbed at Gunpoint – Suspect Arrested

In the early morning hours of Friday, June 21st, off-duty San Antonio Police Sergeant Roland Ortiz was in the back of his business in the 1100 block of Culebra when he heard footsteps approaching him and turned to find two suspects toting handguns. One of them held a gun up to Sgt. Ortiz' face and fearing for his life, he instinctively grabbed the gun and was able to wrestle the gun away from the suspect. After a short struggle, the suspect fled. The second suspect also fled.

A quadrant was set up and a search of the area began which had negative results. Then information was provided that one of the suspects was hiding in the 100 block of Henry in a water heater storage of a house. Officers located the suspect and handcuffed him. He was taken to the Central Substation and will be booked into jail for Aggravated Robbery.

Sergeant Ortiz received minor bruises from the struggle. The identity of the arrested suspect is pending formal charges at the Magistrate's Office. The second suspect remains at large.

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